

REMARKS

Claims 20-26 are pending in this application. Claims 1-19 have been canceled. Claims 20-26 have been added. Claim 20 is independent.

The present preliminary amendments do not add any new matter to the disclosure and are fully supported by the original disclosure. Thus, entry of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Esther H. Chong (Reg. No. 40,953) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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